Cover, from left: Professors Perea, Rowe, Nunn, Slobogin, Wolf, Riskin and Lidsky.
Our goal at the University of Florida Levin College of Law is to be consistently recognized as one of the very best law schools in the nation. We understand that to reach this goal we must have excellent students. We are proud of the quality of our students, who come to us with great accomplishments and much promise for future contributions to society and the legal profession. Applications are increasing and the credentials of our entering classes continue to improve.

We understand that we must also have excellent facilities. And now we do, thanks to a $25 million expansion and renovation project concluded in 2005 that added two state-of-the-art classroom towers and completely renovated and upgraded our library. In addition, ground will be broken this year for a new $5.2 million Martin H. Levin Advocacy Center, which will house a state-of-the-art courtroom and will complete the total reconstruction of the college’s academic space during this decade.

We must also have strong educational programs and support services for students, and we are making significant progress in these areas. I am very pleased that Rachel Inman has joined the administrative team as associate dean for students and that John Plummer is with us now as assistant dean for administrative affairs.

We must also have the resources, both public and private, to support our students and faculty. Our alumni and friends have helped us set new records in private giving, and we are well on the way toward meeting the college’s $47 million goal in the University of Florida’s more than $1 billion major campaign. In addition, we have made significant progress in our efforts to increase state support through our tuition devolution strategy.

Most of all, to be a great law school, we must have superb faculty. This means we work hard not only to recruit outstanding teachers and scholars, such as recent hires Leonard Riskin and Shani King, but also to help current faculty achieve their full potential. One measure of the quality of the faculty is presented in this Report From the Faculty, which demonstrates the faculty’s productivity since 2004, including 79 books, 227 law review and journal articles, and 141 other articles, book chapters and published reports.

Much more information about the Levin College of Law and its faculty is available at www.law.ufl.edu, and I invite you to visit us on the Web or in person in Gainesville.

– Robert H. Jerry
Dean; Levin Mabie and Levin Professor of Law

Faculty Impact

As is true at most law schools, the list of faculty scholarship that follows represents only one aspect of our faculty’s influence, which extends far beyond law classrooms and lawyers’ offices. During the past three years, UF Law faculty publications have been cited in courts at all levels thousands of times, including dozens of recent citations by federal courts and several by the U.S. Supreme Court. UF Law faculty members have also appeared in nearly 1,000 different news reports in media outlets such as the New York Times, the Washington Post and National Public Radio, and helped to mediate domestic and international disputes, protect global environmental resources, and reform legal systems here and abroad. To list a few diverse samples from 2006-07 alone:

- Associate Professor Chris Peterson’s research on predatory lending practices gained national attention, including stories by National Public Radio, the New York Times, and USA Today, and led to his testimony before Congress and an endorsement by the U.S. Department of Defense with respect to the research’s implications for military families.
- Associate Dean for International Programs Professor Stuart Cohn published under the auspices of the United Nations a guide for corporate governance in developing nations.
- Stephen C. O’Connell Professor Christopher Slobogin published books on mental illness and the law with Oxford University Press and Harvard University Press, and also, as chair of the Florida Assessment Team for the ABA’s Death Penalty Moratorium Implementation Project, was instrumental in issuing a 400-page report on the Florida death penalty system.
- Richard Nelson Chair in Local Government Law Michael Allan Wolf has since 2000 been general editor of the 17-volume treatise Powell on Real Property, the nation’s most widely-cited treatise on property law, including citations in U.S. Supreme Court opinions in four cases in the past five years.


NANCY E. DOWD:  Handbook of Children, Culture and Violence (with Dorothy Singer and Robin Fretwell) (Sage Publications, 2006)


JOSEPH W. LITTLE:  Worker’s Compensation (with Eaton and Smith) (Revised Ed., 2005)


DIANNE H. MAZUR: Law and Popular Culture: Text, Notes, and Questions (with Papke, Cole Essig, Corcos, Huang, Ledwon, Menkel-Meadow, Meyer, and Miller) (LexisNexis, 2007)


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CHRISTOPHER L. PETERSON: Taming the Sharks: Towards a Cure for the High-Cost Credit Market (Univ. of Akron Press, 2004)


DAVID M. RICHARDSON: Federal Tax Procedure (with Jerome Borison and Steve Johnson) (Matthew Bender Graduate Tax Series, 2005)

LEONARD L. RISKIN: Dispute Resolution and Lawyers (with Westbrook, Guthrie, Heinsz, Robbenolt & Reuben) (3rd Ed., Westgroup, 2005)

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